



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Patent Application of)
ROKUTAN et al.) Art Unit 1631
Application Number: 10/083,550) Examiner
Filed: February 27, 2002) Eric S. DeJong
For: METHOD FOR EVALUATING DNA)
PROBES POSITION ON SUBSTRATE)
Attorney Docket No. ASAM.0051)

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on May 28, 2008, and the Advisory Action mailed October 7, 2008, the period of response to which is set to expire on October 28, 2008, with a fee for a two-month extension submitted herewith. A Request for Continued Examination is also submitted herewith. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows: